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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003 be extended for a period of 1 month(s) from May 11, 2003 up to and including June 11, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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